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STATUS INQUIRY

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Sir:

Please provide the below-listed attorney of record with the status of the above-identified patent application.

During a telephone conversation with the Patent Examiner to determine the status of the present application, the Patent Examiner indicated that the present application was counted as an allowance on June 28, 2004, but that the system indicated that the Notice of Allowance had not been mailed yet. An Appeal Brief was due on July 21, 2004, and was not prepared in reliance on the Examiner's indication that a Notice of Allowance should be received in the mail shortly. As of today's date, the Notice of Allowance has still not been received. Therefore, a clarification of the status of the above-identified patent application is required.



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A duplicate copy of this Status Inquiry is enclosed to facilitate the prompt reply to this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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